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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing Chris Lytle for his outstanding mixed martial arts (MMA) career.

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Whereas, Chris Lytle is a mixed martial arts (MMA) fighter who has had an impressive career thus far. In addition to training at the Integrated Fighting Academy, where he specializes in boxing, wrestling, and jiu-jitsu, Chris works as a full-time firefighter in the Indianapolis area;

Whereas, Chris is currently fighting as a welterweight (170 lbs) in the Ultimate Fighting Championship (UFC) and is expected to fight Carlos Condit at UFC 127 in Sydney, Australia on February 27, 2011;

Whereas, Chris's first fight was against Bo Hershberger on February 13, 1999 in Muncie, Indiana. Chris won the fight by submission. That first year, Chris fought seven more times, five of them at Pancrase tournaments in Japan;

Whereas, Chris has held championships in the Hook N' Shoot and Absolute Fighting Championship promotions. Additionally, he won the Cage Rage World Welterweight Championship in 2005;

Whereas, Chris's 3 year boxing career was highlighted by winning the Indiana Boxing Association's Light Heavyweight Title in 2003, defeating John Moore by



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technical knockout (TKO). He finished his boxing career with a record of 13 wins, 1 defeat, and 1 draw;

Whereas, Chris's MMA career took off when he competed in the Ultimate Fighter 4 on Spike TV. He reached the finals, losing a split decision to Matt Serra;

Whereas, In Chris's career as an MMA fighter and boxer, he has never been knocked out or submitted to defeat;

Whereas, Chris has won 7 UFC bonuses during his career, tying him with Anderson Silva for the most all-time in UFC. Chris's 7 UFC bonuses include 4 Fight of the Nights, 2 Submission of the Night Honors, and 1 Knockout of the Night;

Whereas, Chris's most recent fight was against Matt Serra at UFC 119, held in Indianapolis, Indiana on September 25, 2010. Chris defeated Serra by unanimous decision, avenging his split decision loss against Serra in the Ultimate Fighter 4 Season Finale;

Whereas, The victory over Serra was Chris's fourth in a row, bringing his overall UFC record to .500 (9 and 9). Chris's overall career record in MMA stands at 30 wins, 17 defeats, and 5 draws;

Whereas, Chris has demonstrated time and time again his dedication and passion for the sport, through his commitment to the local community, and to his old school, Southport High School, where he still participates in workouts with the wrestling team;

Whereas, This former Southport High School wrestling coach has inspired several up-and-coming MMA fighters within the city, and has helped athletes like former Purdue football star Matt Mitrione develop into legitimate UFC fighters; and



Whereas, There is no better fighter to represent Indiana than Chris Lytle, and he is to be commended for his outstanding career thus far: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:

1	SECTION 1. The Indiana Senate recognizes Chris Lytle for his
2	outstanding MMA career.
3	SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
4	transmit a copy of this Resolution to Chris Lytle.



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